

## THE SUBWAY SONG

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music: "M-O-T-H-E-R", by Theodore Morse (1915 - P.D.)  
(original lyrics by Howard Johnson)

H is for my Alma Mater, Harvard  
C is Central, next stop on the line  
K is for the kozy Kendall station  
C is Charles, that overlooks the brine  
P is Park Street, busy Boston center  
W is Washington, you see  
Put them all together, they spell "HCKC-PW" (\*)  
Which is just about what Boston means to me.

(\*) *sound of throat-clearing and spitting*

Historical note: This is a song that I wrote after I first came to Cambridge in 1943. When I first took the subway ride from Cambridge into Boston, I noticed that the subway stations on the line had this interesting feature.

*Kendall has since been renamed Kendall/MIT.  
Charles has since been renamed Charles/MGH.  
Washington has since been renamed Downtown Crossing.*